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"There's so much good in the worst of us, and there's so much bad in the best of us, that it doesn't behoove any of us to speak ill of the rest of us.

Here is one trouble with many towns: Their 'booster" clubs too frequently turn out to te "Rooster" clubs. - Arkansas City Traveler.

The Bucklin Banner mentions the fact that of twelve automobiles on the street there Saturday, ten belonged to farmers living in that community.

The big Meade County Fair the rest of the week. This fair is nearer to Liberal than any other fair this year and a number of

At Greensburg last week a threeyear-old child left alone, in some and ignited one of them. The baby's dress caught fire and the little one was burned to death before anyone knew of the accident.

One of our exchanges tells of farmer who had a sick cow one night and gave her some medicine by the light of a lartern. In his haste he doped her with a bit of gasoline which had a funny effect the extra session of Congress, upon her. Instead of uttering her accustomed moo, moo she went ocrats. He charges them with dehonk, honk.

About the only consolation a newspaper man gets in being reminded of the mistakes in his paper is the thought of how funny the paper would look if the responsibility of printing it depended on some of the folks who always see the trivial errors but who wouldn't be able to keep track of one-tenth of the nerve racking things which form part of the everyday routine of an editor's life. -Lindsbourg News.

The street lightning provided for on Kansas Avenue and West Second Street have made such a good impression on the people of the town that there is considerable demand to have the lights extended to other portions of the city. The residents of Sherman Avenue for them is dividually if the city present time-

At last Secy. Wilson is to have his way in running the pure food de partment for Uncle Sam. Last week, a case was instituted in the Supreme court, alleging that the Maraschino cocktails sold in several places in Washington do not contain any maraschino ingredi ents at all, but that they are full of benzoidenhyde, and a half a dozen other nondescript things. It is now perfectly plain that Taft, president of the great United States, stood with Wilson instead of chemist Wiley, because he wanted to raise the standard of cocktails in Washington. Do you no likelihood of being able to suppose that is worth the \$50,000 salary the president is getting?

By some twist of the election an old negro had been elected to the office of justice of the peace in a little backwoods district in Tennessee. His first case happened to be one in which the defendant asked the best we could under the cirfor a trial by jury. When the testimony was all in, the lawyers waited for the judge to give his tions of conscience about neglect instructions to the jury. The new of duty. We have done the best justice seemed embarrassed. Finally one of the lawyers whispered to him that it was time to charge the jury. He webstered one hand into the front of his coat, calhouned his voice, and said: "Gent'm'n ob de jury, sence dis am a putty to the southwest has been secured. substitutes.

small case, Ah'll on'y charge yo' a dollah 'n' a half apiece."

Editor Oakford of the Protocutor, a socialistic paper at Garden City, published several indecent articles a few weeks ago. The result was that his printing shop was quietly dumped into the street by several of the better citizens of the town, and he is now under arrest charged with the publication of indecent articles, the penalty for which under the Kansas law is a term in the penitentiary of from two to five years, Every legitimate newspaper man will be glad to know that there is a limit placed on the men who attempt to achieve notoriety by the publication of filthy articles about the various people of the community.

A Good Move

One of the very good things the present city administration is doing is the dragging of the streets. The drag was out Saturday mornstarted Wednesday and is to last ing, and in a few hours the streets in the business section of the town were almost as smooth as pavements. As rapidly as possible, our people will go down for a day the dragging should be extended to the other streets of the city. The drag isn't very expensive, and it is considerable help to the streets of the town, as it works way got hold of a few matches the dirt to the center of the road, providing better drainage in wet weather, and a well rounded, smooth road for dry weather. The drag is a winner most any way you figure it.

At Least a Year Too Late.

Mr. Mann, Republican leader in the House, in his statement to the country reviewing the work of makes one point against the Demlaying the passage of the measure for the direct election of senators.

But what profit can Mr. Mann hope to gain for his party by calling attention to that fact? The stand-pat wing of the Republicans in Congress, to which Mr. Mann belongs, has delayed the passage of a measure for the direct election of senators through the sixteen years of its control of Congress. Although the measure passed the house under Republican control, did anyone eyer hear of Mr. Mann pointing to the fact that its defeat by a stand-pat senate was a party blunder?

The Republican House leader is at least a whole year too late in seeing the light.

The Deep Well.

Well, we suppose it is all off have been talking the matter of with the deep well according to putting in the lights and paying our latest information. In a talk with Mr. Corley yesterday aftercannot afford the extension at the noon he stated they had just taken a measure of the well and it was down 1053 feet and they have decided to quit.

When they got down to the depth required by the contract last week, 920 feet, the citizens of the town held several meetings and raised between \$800 and \$900 for it to go on down, this would have enabled it to go 1100 feet, but when they started to digging again about 100 feet had caved so much they could hardly get the rotary drill out anymore and they decided to give it up; had the drilling not stopped for these few days they could have gone on down but as there seemed to be raise enough money to go any considerable depth they decided to spend no more time nor money on

· Times have been very tight with our people the last year or two and it was a rather hard matter to raise this money but we did cumstances and our citizens and business men have no compuncwe could, no one can ask any more.-Hooker Advance.

The Santa Fe.

way for the new Santa Fe cut-off and Tar Compound, and refuse

4044444444444444444444 After-Thoughts.

You may have noticed that the majority of our coming men fail to arrive.

About the time a girl gets out of short dresses she begins to plan her trousseau.

A pessimest is a man who never smiles except when he faces the bartender.

A woman has so little wits that it's only about ten times as much as some men's.

Lots of young fellows find that it's easier to get married than to get anything else.

You don't realize how many shocking thinsg there are in the world unless you happen to be a prude.

There may be just as good fish in the sea as ever were caught, but they are not all

Nine out of ten of the magazine articles on how to choose a husband or how to manage one are written by spinsters.

The farmers along the line are very enthusiastic for the road. A man from Gray county recalled that when the old Montezuma road was in use he hauled his wheat sixteen miles to the station and marketed it in less than one-fourth of the time it now takes him to haul 22 miles through the sand to Cimmarron.

The Santa Fe Company has advised Governor Fitzgerald that the right-of-way must be secured by October first. And those who have had business with President Ripley of the Santa Fe know that he does just what he says. If the right-of-way is not secured by that time the road will very likely be built from another point.

The farmers through the section are very anxious that the road be built from Dodge City. A number of them have been in to see what they could do to help in the matter. The school district officials are very anxious to have the road built from Dodge. The districts to the southwest have not had the advantage of the railroad taxes in times past but they have known of the help the railroad taxes are to the districts and townships through which the lines now

Generally the farmers who come to town from the southwest, say that they are glad that the Santa Fe is to build the road rather than a local company. They know that the road is to be a through line. and not a "jerkwater."

And Dodge City is deeply interested in the building of the road, or at least it should be. The building of the road southwest means the building of a road to connect with the southeast.

Then there is a northwest possibility in the next ten years. A big division point, a wholesale distributing point for machinery and drugs; large employment of labor. That means employment for everybody,

But the building of the road is up to the land owners. If they give the right-of-way before the first of October dirt will be moving before snow flies and trains will be running to Haskell county before the First of July, 1912, in time to move next year's crop.

The committee that is working for the right-of-way is well satisfied with the progress so far made

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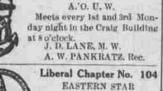
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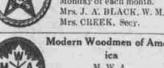
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